

The Hongkong Telegraph

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JULY 5TH, 1881.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, **TO-DAY,** the 5th July, 1881, at Two P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's-road, the Collection of **CHOICE AND RARE CHINESE AND JAPANESE CURIOS,** lately belonging to W. R. LANDSTEIN, Deceased.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 30th June, 1881.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on **FRIDAY,** the 8th July, 1881, at 2 p.m., at the Upper Floor of No. 15A, Queen's-road Central, the **HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,** lately belonging to W. R. Landstein, Deceased, comprising:—
English-made Walnut Drawing-room SUITE.
Bombay Blackwood Carved ROUND TABLE, SIDE TABLES, SOFA, EASY CHAIRS, and MUSIC STAND.
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OIL PAINTINGS, WATER COLOURS, BRONZE GASALERS, and GAS BRACKETS, and MARBLE CLOCK.
GLASS WARE and PLATED WARE.
French-made Marble-top GLASS BOOK CASE and SET of DRAWERS.
English-made MAHOGANY WRITING TABLES, CHEVAL GLASS, and CHAIRS.
English-made Walnut BEDROOM SUITE, &c., &c., &c.
Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Tuesday, the 5th July.
Terms of Sale.—As customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 30th June, 1881.

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CAPITAL PAID-UP..... 3,750,000 Francs.
The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS of the above Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.
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Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.
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RIBBONS and SASHES of every description.
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A large collection of Elegant Articles suitable for presents, from the Grand Magasins du Louvre.
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SHERRIES of the Finest Quality at extremely low prices.
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Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

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Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

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OREGON PINE SPARS AND LUMBER always on hand.
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Hongkong, 24th June, 1881.

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Filling, assorted kinds.
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Gentlemen's Singlets.
Ladies' Shoes from Dawsons & Sons.
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Hongkong, 21st June, 1881.

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King's War-ships of Europe.
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A large stock of well finished European ACCOUNT BOOKS in full and half binding, also Ladies' and Gentlemen's Chit Books.
Hongkong, June 15th, 1881.

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THE Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 5TH JULY, 1881.

During the last few days many people in Hongkong have been a good deal exercised in their minds about the comet. The fact that, though first seen in early morning to the northeast, it has more lately been seen in the evening in the northwest led some persons to suppose that it must have suddenly undergone a very great and rapid change of position. Some have even surmised that the two apparitions could only be those of two different comets; others that there might be but one comet, performing a daily elliptic revolution round the pole-star; and an audacious correspondent of the *Daily Press* supports the notion that one comet might be the mirage of the other! On these, and other points there has been a great deal of doubt, in no way relieved, but rather aggravated, by the absolute nonsense which has been published on the subject. A little consideration of the ordinary phenomena of the diurnal motion, and of the comet's position with respect to the north pole of the heavens, is, however, enough to solve all doubts and make the matter clear. At 9 p.m. on Thursday last, the angular distance of the nucleus from the pole-star was about 22 deg. 21 min., corresponding to a distance of about 22 deg. 15 min. from the true pole. The diurnal motion, which makes all the celestial bodies seem to revolve round the axis of the heavens, causes the comet to do the same, and to describe round the pole a small circle with a radius corresponding to the distance, the direction of motion being (as you look northward) contrary to that of the hands of a clock. Bearing this in mind, it becomes easy to understand that, although, owing to accidents of weather, the comet has been seen at one time in the morning only, and at another time in the evening only, it must really have all along been visible both morning and evening if we had been favoured with sufficiently clear skies.

We can as easily see that, since the comet arrived within an apparent distance of about 22 deg. 9 min. of the pole (which it did a little before midnight on Thursday) it can never have really set below the true horizon of Hongkong, and must have remained visible throughout each clear night if it had not been for the hills which shut our north horizon from view. The latitude of Victoria is about 22 deg. 9 min. north. But, at any place, the altitude of the visible pole above the horizon is equal to the latitude. Hence, to a spectator here, the north pole is elevated about 22 deg. 9 min. When the comet's nucleus, in its apparent motion from west to east, reached, at about midnight on Thursday, the lowest point of its path—i.e., the point vertically below the pole, corresponding to the hour VI on a clock-face where the pivot of the hands represents the pole—it was about 22 deg. 9 min. from the pole, and consequently just touching the horizon, below which it would not sink. To the eye, indeed, it would, if visible, have been elevated rather more than half a degree above the horizon by atmospheric refraction. It thus appears that the comet's position on Thursday night was just that which would cause its diurnal path to lie wholly above our true horizon, the nucleus skimming the horizon at its lower meridian passage, near midnight, and attaining an altitude of between 44 deg. and 45 deg. at its upper meridian passage, the highest point of its path, which would of course be reached in the daytime, not far from noon. All that has been seen and thought to be so curious as regards our new visitor needs no farther explanation than this.

Sunday evening's observations showed very clearly that since Thursday the comet's real motion in space, which is wholly distinct from the diurnal motion that we have been considering, had been such as to diminish its apparent distance from the pole-star. That distance, as measured at nine o'clock on Sunday night, was 16 deg. 44 min. Therefore, since Thursday, when the distance was 22 deg. 21 min., the nucleus had seemed to us to draw nearer to the pole-star by nearly two degrees, angular measure, per diem. Though considerable, this rate of movement is of course not perceptible to the eye. The comet is now so near to the pole that its diurnal path lies wholly above the hills, as any one may observe for himself who has sufficient curiosity and patience to sit up on a fine night for the purpose. Last night, at 9.30, its distance from the pole-star was only 15 deg. 14 min., showing an approach of one-and-a-half degrees since the previous night's measurement. But it is rapidly growing fainter; its tail shorter and less brilliant; and it plainly is fast leaving us.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Agent informs us that the O. & O. steamer *Belgic*, with mails from San Francisco to the 11th ultimo, has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port to-day.

A parade and inspection of the Volunteer and Government Fire Brigades will be held at the Central Fire Brigade Station on Thursday afternoon at half past four o'clock.

According to Dagonet of the *Referee*, the Electric Railway has proved such a great success in Berlin, that it will shortly be tried in England. It has also been arranged to run the Tramways on the electric system. Our friends the horses will be glad to hear this.

According to the *Boston Herald*, the famous trotter, *Edwin Forrest*, has recently accomplished an unprecedented feat. At Fleetwood Park, New York, on May 5th, Mr. Robert Bonner drove his splendid bay gelding, attached to a top waggon, weighing with

the driver, 360 lbs., a half mile in one minute nine seconds. This is said to be the fastest half mile ever trotted by any horse, mare or gelding in the world, carrying that weight.

We learn from a New York correspondent that the well known American sportsmen, Messrs Dwyer & Brothers, have made arrangements for a racing campaign in England; and they contemplate sending a few thoroughbreds, including their recent high priced purchase the brother to *Luke Blackburn*, across the Atlantic without delay. With Messrs Horillard, Keene, Ten Broeck, and the Dwyers, each owning a powerful contingent, in the field, a good many more American victories should soon be added to the Derby and Grand Prix de Paris.

An amusing instance of the folly of counting your chickens before they are hatched is reported from Sydney. A music publisher in that enterprising city, having fully made up his mind that Trickett was bound to win the boat race against Hanlan for the championship, got ready a song, words, music, and all the rest, giving a glowing description of the Australian's easy victory over the Canadian. Determined to make a good thing out of it, he published and prepared for immediate circulation no less than sixty thousand copies of the song, and calmly waited for the telegram announcing Trickett's victory. When the news did arrive, a change came over the spirit of the publisher's dream, and George-street resounded with curses loud and deep. He intends preserving the bad stock, until the victory so confidently predicted really does come off. He will apparently have a long time to wait.

In the *Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News* of May 21st appears an engraving of the Concordia Theatre, Canton, taken from a photograph, furnished by a correspondent, who also supplies a few interesting particulars regarding the progress of the drama in the City of Rams, and in the neighbouring colony of Hongkong. The theatre is attached to the club of the same name at Shawin (Shameen) Canton, and in consequence of the dearth of professional talent, the amateurs, who are a good all round company, are in considerable request. Their season extends from the 1st of December to the 1st of April, after which it is much too warm for theatricals. Up to the middle of March this year they had played *St. Patrick's Day*, *Le Jeune Homme Pressé*, *Peacock's Holiday*, *Blue Beard* burlesque, *Whitebait at Greenwich*, and *A Thumping Legacy*. In Hongkong, the correspondent of the *News* adds, the A. D. C. have given *New Men and Old Acres*, *A Wonderful Woman*, and *The Area Belle*, and is really an excellent company, the leading members, Messrs. Hockey, Traeb, Leslie, and Mrs. Bernard being a long way in advance of the ordinary run of amateurs. The Hongkong Choral Society also gets a word of commendation for a very satisfactory performance of *Pinafore*. The Canton correspondent of the *Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News* is evidently a fit subject for a public memorial. He should send his name and address to the leading members of the A. D. C.

The remains of the late Pastor Klitzke were interred at the Protestant Cemetery yesterday afternoon shortly after 5 o'clock. Nearly the whole of the German community were present, and the funeral service was most impressively sung by the members of the German Liedertafel. The German vessels in port flew their flags half mast as a token of respect.

We hear that proceedings have been instituted by the Macao Government, to recover from Mr. John Pitman the sum of \$10,000, being amount of cheque deposited on account of the purchase of the Wei Sing Lottery Monopoly. The cheque, it will be remembered, was refused at the Bank on the ground of irregularity.

An inquest was held at the Government Civil Hospital yesterday afternoon, to enquire into the circumstances attending the death of a seaman serving on board the German

corvette *Fregate*. From the evidence laid before the coroner and jury it appeared that the unfortunate man, who had only recently joined the *Fregate* from the mercantile marine, had fallen from the Government wharf about nine o'clock on the night of the 4th ultimo. The policeman on duty there went to his assistance and had him conveyed to the Central Station where dry clothing was exchanged for that he was then wearing. Nothing serious had at that time presented itself but next morning he complained of severe pain, and it was considered advisable to send him to hospital where he lingered till the night of the 1st July. On a post mortem examination being made it was discovered that deceased had been suffering from a complication of injuries resulting from the fall. The spine was fractured, and the bladder and bowels were paralysed as also the lower limbs. On the evidence of Dr. Blennerhassett to this effect the jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

From the *Foochow Herald* we learn that a serious affray amongst the native tea workers took place last Tuesday afternoon in that city, resulting in four men being killed and a large number wounded. The cause of the fracas appears to have been of the most trivial description—a collision between two coolies in the street—and this led to a scrimmage taking place, between the two opposing branches of the tea industry, on Saturday the 25th ult., in which one man was so seriously hurt, that he died the following day. When it is stated that the belligerents in the big scrimmage on the following Tuesday numbered several hundreds, armed with spears, sticks, stones, and a couple of gings, and the spectators from seven to ten thousand, it may be imagined what kind of an affair it must have been for the four hours in which the battle raged. We shall no doubt shortly hear of a good deal of beheading and bamboozing, as an official recognition of native turbulence.

The lot of land submitted to public auction last evening by Messrs. Sharp & Co., was bought in for account of the owner, and has been since disposed of at the reserve bidding named at the sale.

In the Summary Jurisdiction Court yesterday before the Hon. the Acting Puisne Judge, Mr. J. Russell, the impecunious Mr. Betts again appeared at the instance of Mr. Nowrojee of the Hongkong Hotel, who sued for the sum of \$518.

Mr. Sharp appeared for the complainant, and Mr. Wotton for defendant.

During the proceedings, which were, lengthy, financial disclosures of a rather equivocal character were made, and as it appeared that Mr. Betts had instituted a counter suit against Mr. Nowrojee for \$1,000, for alleged illegal arrest, His Lordship remarked that if judgment were given for the \$1,000 probably the amount sued for by Mr. Nowrojee would be paid.

The young gentleman it appeared was so erratic in his conduct that a keeper was necessary to travel with him, but even with that vigilance he overstepped the bounds of prudence and got into pecuniary difficulties and pawnbroking complications.

His Lordship thought there was no immediate prospect of the defendant leaving the colony, and as a remittance from England might be expected in the meanwhile, judgment was stayed till the 8th instant.

We regret to have to record the sudden death of another well-known figure in Hongkong circles. A telegram was received yesterday from Saigon announcing that Capt. Caine of the *s.s. Penelo* was lying in a dangerous condition, and a second message, received a few hours later, announced his death. Capt. Caine

has been on this coast for many years, and was deservedly popular with all classes. It was intended to bring the body to Hongkong for burial; but the Saigon authorities declined to allow its removal. Much sympathy will be felt for Mrs. Caine, who is at present residing in this colony.

LATEST COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

Tuesday, July 5th, 1881.

One o'clock P.M.

A good deal of business was done in Banks yesterday afternoon at 104 cash, and 109 for the end of September. They are now very steady at 104, and would be bought at that price if sellers could be found. Chinese Insurance shares are now quoted at 300 ex dividend, and several sales have been booked on these conditions. A few China Fires have been transferred at 295, and there are more on offer. We traced about 80 Docks, which had changed hands at 56, and at that figure business is still being transacted. The Steamboat Company's stock remains firm at the old figure, 31 per cent premium, although the sales have not been numerous since our last issue. The China Sugar Refining Company's shares have failed, as we hinted was likely to be the case, to maintain their former quotation, a small lot being on the market this morning at 178. Other stocks remain at the appended nominal quotations.

Shares.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Shares—104 per cent. premium, Buyers.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$1,625 per share ex dividend.
China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—\$1,700 per share.
North China Insurance Company—Tls. 1,125 per share.
Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 820 per share.
Chinese Insurance Company, —\$300 per share, Ex. Div. Sales.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 148 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$1,000 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$295 per share, sellers.
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—56 per cent prem, Sales.
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Company's Shares—\$31 per share premium, Sales.
China Coast Steam Navigation Company—Tls. 162 per share.
Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—\$82 per share.
Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—\$97½ per share.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$178 per share, Sellers.
China Sugar Refining Company (Debtors)—3 per cent premium.
Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—\$127½ per share, Buyers.
Hongkong & China Bakery Company, Limited—\$42½ per share.
Chinese Imperial Government Loan of 1874—(Nominal).
Chinese Imperial Government Loan of 1887—(Nominal).

Exchange.

On LONDON,—
Bank Bills, on demand, 3/8½
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight, 3/8½
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight, 3/9¼
Credits, at 4 months' sight, ... 3/9½
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight, 3/9½
On PARIS,—
Bank Bills, on demand, 4.69
Credits, at 4 months' sight, ... 4.79
On BOMBAY,—
Bank, 3 days' sight, 225½
On CALCUTTA,—
Bank, 3 days' sight, 225½
On SHANGHAI,—
Bank, sight, 72
Private, 30 days' sight, 72½

Hongkong Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Register, Queen's-road).

HONGKONG, 4th and 5th July.
BAROMETER—1 P.M. 29.944
Do. 4 P.M. 29.908

THERMOMETER—1 P.M. 87.
Do. 4 P.M. 87.
Do. 1 P.M. (Wet bulb) 82.
Do. 4 P.M. Do. 82.
BAROMETER—9 A.M. 29.926
THERMOMETER—9 A.M. 85.
Do. 9 A.M. (Wet bulb) 81.
Do. Maximum 87.
Do. Minimum (over-night) 82.

FOOCHOW.

(From the Foochow Herald).

A Succession of severe shocks of earthquake was felt in Nagasaki, a short time ago. No damage is reported.

We are pleased to see that nearly all of the trees lately planted on the road sides in the settlement have taken root and are sprouting forth their verdure.

A new daily paper has been started in Hongkong and is called the *Telegraph*. The journal is issued at one o'clock in the afternoon. We received copies of the two first issues of the same by the *Kwang Tung* which arrived here yesterday.

Again, Oh ye foreign hating Chinese, have ye destroyed, mutilated, and removed the resting place of the weary traveller to the "Ravine," namely the stone seat; and Again, Oh ye foreign hating Chinese, have ye to replace the said seat in its former position, only substituting a new seat in lieu of the old one.

The first Annual General Meeting of Subscribers to the Recreation Ground is to be held on Tuesday evening next the 28th instant, at half past six o'clock, at the Club. At the Meeting a Committee will be elected for the current year, and it will be proposed that Residents at Pagoda Anchorage be admitted as subscribers on payment of half subscription.

A Fire consuming about three hundred houses, just inside of the South Gate of the City near the Viceroy's Yamen, took place on Tuesday evening last at about half past five. We hear that the fire was the result of an incendiary but we are unable to find out at what particular place the fire originated. The flames lasted through the entire night and were only extinguished at 4 o'clock on Wednesday morning. It is reported that two lives were lost.

From the H. K. Daily Press we take the following:

The Editorship of the *Foochow Herald* has once more changed hands. A daily sheet styled *Town Messenger* is being issued by the enterprising proprietor of a new printing establishment, and the *Herald* keeping pace with the time, now circulates a daily sheet in connection with the weekly paper.

[True, Oh, *Daily Press* the Editorship of the *Herald* has "changed hands," yet we have failed up to this to see the *Town Messenger* and would be glad if our Hongkong contemporary would kindly send a copy.—Ed: F. H.]

MAILS.

The following mails will close:—

To-day, 5th July,—

For Yokohama and Hiogo, per *Merionethshire*, at 2.30 p.m.

For Foochow, per *Meath*, at 3.30 p.m. For Bangkok, per *Danube*, at 5 p.m.

To-morrow, 6th July,—

For the Straits Settlements and London, per *Glenavon*, at 11.30 a.m.

For Shanghai, per *Metapedia*, at 11.30 a.m. For Amoy, per *Diamante*, at 11.30 a.m.

On Thursday, 7th July,—

For the United Kingdom and Europe, via Brindisi; the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar, and the Mauritius, per *Nepaul*; printed matter at 2 p.m., letters at 3 p.m.

On Friday, 8th July,—

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow, per *Namoa*, at 11.30 a.m. For Nagasaki and Yokohama, per *Malacca*, at 5 p.m. For Kobe and Yokohama, per *Takasago Maru*, at 5 p.m.

On Thursday, 14th July,—

For the United Kingdom and Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Gibraltar; printed matter at 10 a.m., and letters at 11 a.m.

The following mails may be expected:—

On Thursday the 7th instant:—

The English mail of 3rd June.

On Tuesday the 12th instant:—

The American mail of 5th June.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.

July 4, *Nelson*, British schooner, 894, Thom, Saigon 29th June, Rice.—Messrs Geo. Stevens & Co.

July 4, *Melusine*, German bark, 937, Th. Phuyer, Cardiff 6th February, Coals.—Messrs Melchers & Co.

July 4, *Bothwell Castle*, British steamer, 1653, W. S. Thomson, Londong 21st May, Penang 26th June and Singapore 29th June, General.—Adamson Bell & Co.

July 4, *Siam*, Siamese bark, 294, A. Thomsen, Bangkok 20th June, General.—Chinese.

July 4, *Himalaya*, British steamer, 514, Beedle, Chinkiang 28th June, Rice.—C. M. S. N. Co.

July 4, *Victorine*, French bark, 1217, F. Chevalier, Shanghai 15th June, Ballast.—Master.

July 4, *Malacca*, British steamer, 1045, H. Weighill, Yokohama and Nagasaki, 9th July, General.—P. & O. Agent.

July 4, *Yangtze*, British steamer, 782, Schultze, Shanghai 30th June, General.—Siemssen & Co.

July 4, *Star of China*, British bark, 794, C. Smith, Falmouth, 11th March, General.—Arnhold Karberg & Co.

July 4, *Gustav & Marie*, German bark, 355, F. Bührich, Singapore, 21st June, Timber.—Wieler & Co.

July 5, *Diamante*, British steamer, 514, R. F. Cullen, Manila, 2nd July, General.—Russell & Co.

July 5, *Ernst*, German 3-m schooner, 356, W. Zenahn, Bangkok 14th June, Rice.—Borneo Company, Limited.

July 5, *Nepaul*, British steamer, 2065, J. S. Murray, Shanghai 2nd July, General.—P. & O. Co.

DEPARTURES.

July 4, *Sarah S. Ridgway*, American bark, for New York.

July 4, *Bertha*, German bark, for Turon.

July 4, *Hilda Maria*, German bark, for Tientsin.

July 4, *Glaucus*, British steamer, for Singapore and London.

July 5, *Lee Yuen*, Chinese steamer, for Shanghai.

July 5, *Oclava*, German str., for Saigon.

July 5, *Rockhurst*, British ship, for San Francisco.

July 5, *Tung Ting*, Chinese steamer, for Hoihow.

July 5, *Yangtze*, British steamer, for Canton.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Nelson*, British schooner, from Saigon.—12 Chinese.

Per *Melusine*, German bark, from Cardiff.—Dr E. Schelling.

Per *Bothwell Castle*, British steamer, from London, Penang and Singapore.—Mr H. Buck, Messrs A. Cleftham and W. Artill, all for Shanghai, and 59 Chinese from Singapore.

Per *Malacca*, British steamer, from Yokohama and Nagasaki.—Mr Moland, and 6 Chinese.

Per *Yangtze*, British steamer, from Shanghai.—Mr Collins, and 15 Chinese.

Per *Nepaul*, British steamer, from Shanghai.—Mr Evans and Mr Johnston.

Per *Diamante*, steamer, from Manila.—Messrs. Johnstone and Antonio, 1 European and 180 Chinese.

Per *Merionethshire*, str. from London &c.—Mr. Brownhill, second engineer of str. *Danube*, and 21 Chinese.

Per *Athra*, str. from Saigon.—60 Chinese.

Per *Signal*, from Fremantle, Western Australia.—Mrs. Whitney.

Per *Takasago Maru*, str., from Yokohama.—Major Tylor, Captain Bayley, Messrs. C. H. Haswell, and W. Canliffe.

Per *Conquest*, str., from Haiphong, &c.—24 Chinese.

Per *Metapedia*, steamer from Singapore, &c.—81 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British schooner *Nelson* reports calms, light winds and variable. Sunday experienced a strong N. E. swell.

The British steamer *Bothwell Castle* reports left Tangong Pagar wharf, Singapore at 3 p.m. on the 29th, had light to moderate S.E. and S.W. winds the first three days, with a spurt of fresh monsoon between the 1st and 2nd inst. had light N.E. winds and fine clear weather afterwards till arrival.

The British steamer *Yangtze* reports left Shanghai 30th June, at 2 a.m., and arrived Hongkong 4th July, at 2 p.m. had light Southerly winds and fine weather throughout.

The French bark *Victorine* reports I have experienced a typhoon last Saturday night near S. mouth of the Formosa Strait, my ballast has shifted and I came into Hongkong to change the ballast, my destination is Manila.

The British steamer *Diamante* reports had light moderate winds and fine weather throughout.

The German schooner *Ernst* reports fine weather throughout.

Where Genius Failed.

An oldish man, who was on his way west, took a lunch at the eating stand in the Detroit, Grand Haven, and Milwaukee depot, yesterday, and in payment tendered a 20dol. Confederate note. "We don't take this sort of money here," said the attendant as he scanned the bill. "Don't, hey? Very well. Customs differ in localities. They take it in places and refuse it in others. No particular harm done to offer it. How's this bill?" It was an old wildcat bill of 1840, and it was handed back with the remark that it wouldn't pass. "Won't, hey? Well, no great harm to offer it. Are you willing to take my note of hand for sixty days for this sum?" "No, sir." "Won't, eh? There are places where they won't. This seems to be a place where they won't. No crime, though, to propose it. Do you think I would have any success in standing you off?" "No, sir." "I presume not, but the inquiry seems pertinent. Does it appear to you as if I would have to pay this bill in cash?" "It does." "Strikes me the same way too. There are times when it seems impossible to wriggle out of cash payments. I have a proposition which I have saved as a last resort. Are you willing to look upon me as an object of charity and donate me this thirty cents' worth of luncheon?" "No, sir, I am not." "That's what I expected but I thought it no harm to make it. I see no other way except to pay cash. Please take your change out of this fifty cents." The right change having been handed him, he heaved a sigh of relief and sat down to pick his teeth with a splinter from the broom.—*Detroit News*.

alleging that ill-health incapacitated him from following the profession of the law, his name was removed from the books. It will be apparent from what we have stated that the younger Disraeli's legal training was by no means inconsiderable. It is not a little curious that Lord Beaconsfield's great political rival and successor in the Premiership should himself have gone through a very similar training, with the exception of the portion in the office of a solicitor. Fourteen months after Benjamin Disraeli had ceased to be a Fellow of Lincoln's Inn, on the 25th of January, 1833, William Ewart Gladstone, having just completed his brilliant career at Oxford, at the age of 23 years was admitted to the same learned society. Mr. Gladstone, after keeping 11 terms between 1833 and 1837, and when he had been a member for six years and three months, likewise petitioned to have his name removed, but on the ground of his "having given up his intention of being called to the Bar." It may not be uninteresting to state that Mr. Gladstone, as might be expected, was no mere diner in hall. He performed no less than six exercises; all between the 19th of April and the 31st of May 1837.—*Law Magazine and Review*.

LOVE AND ASTRONOMY.—Young Mr. Latehours was sitting on the porch the other night watching a seventeen-year-old girl trying to keep awake long enough to see the morning star rise. They talked astronomy. "I wish I was a star," he said, smiling at his own poetic fancy. "I would rather you were a comet," she said, dreamily. "His heart beat tumultuously. "And why?" he asked tenderly, at the same time taking her unresisting little hand in his own; "and why?" he repeated imperiously. "Oh," she said, with a brooding earnestness that fell upon his soul like a bare foot on a cold oilcloth, "because then you would only come around once every fifteen hundred years!" He didn't say anything until he was half way to the front gate, when he turned around and shook his fist at the house, and muttered between his teeth that "it would be a thundering sight longer than that before he came round again." But by that time the poor girl was in bed and sound asleep.

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SHIPPING IN HONGKONG HARBOUR.

Exclusive of late arrivals and departures this morning.

In this table the anchorage of Hongkong Harbour is divided, for purposes of reference, into five sections:—No. 1 extending from Green Island to the P. and O. Company's Wharf; No. 2 from the P. & O. Company's Wharf to the Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Wharf; No. 3 from the Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Wharf to the Government Wharf; No. 4 from the Government Wharf to the Wanchai Pier; and No. 5 from the Wanchai Pier to Kellett's Island.

Vessels.	Section.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.
Steamers.						
Adria	1	July	4 F. Fairtlough	British	781	Tung Kee.
Arratoon Apear	3	July	3 R. J. McConnell	British	1392	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
Albay	3	July	1 Lightwood	British	336	Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
Benledi	3	July	3 J. Ross	British	1000	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
China	2	July	1 Cole	British	1060	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Chinkiang	* June	21	S. M. Orr	British	799	Siemssen & Co.
Conquest	3	July	4 Hamlin	British	313	Russell & Co.
Danube	2	June	29 Clanchy	British	560	Yuen Fat Hong
Diamante	3	July	5 Cullen	British	514	Russell & Co.
Fame	3	—	A. Stopani	British	117	H. K. & W. Dock Co.
Glenavon	3	July	4 Taylor	British	1935	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Hailoong	* May	18	Hunter	British	277	D. Lapraik & Co.
Heron	* May	21	Bunje	British	55	Captain Conner
Malacca	2	July	4 Weighill	British	1045	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Meath	* June	21	John Johnson	British	1331	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
Merionethshire	3	July	4 S. Rickard	British	1245	Adamson Bell & Co.
Metapedia	3	July	4 Fowler	British	1453	Russell & Co.
Nelson	3	July	4 Thom	British	886	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Norden	3	June	27 T. Rasmussen	Danish	778	Siemssen & Co.
Sea Gull	4	—	Hayden	American	48	China Insurance Co.
Serapis	5	June	22 S. F. North	British	1271	Captain
Suez	3	July	3 Dodd	British	1390	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Takasago Maru	3	July	4 C. Young	Japanese	1230	M. B. M. S. S. Co.

* Kowloon Dock.

Sailing Vessels.

Anna Sieben	3	July	4 A. Paulsen	Ger. bark	603	Wieler & Co.
Anna	2	June	25 G. B. Davidson	Ger. bark	350	Wieler & Co.
Anna Camp	4	June	5 Gardner	Amr. ship	1250	Borneo Co.
Bonito	2	June	14 Wessenberg	Ger. bark	524	Wieler & Co.
Chusan	* June	8	Thorkell	Brit. bark	786	Melchers & Co.
O. F. Sargent	4	June	11 Hatherton	Amr. ship	1704	Borneo Co., Limited
Carl Ritter	2	May	24 Jager	Ger. bark	596	Wieler & Co.
Conquest.	5	June	15 G. Homes	Amr. bark	575	Captain
Fochoov	1	June	4 V. Guldberg	Siam. brig	300	Chinese
Grest Surgeon	4	June	17 H. Arbicans	Amr. bark	786	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Gustav & Marie	3	July	4 F. Fuhrich	Ger. bark	355	Wieler & Co.
Herrman	2	June	5 Heryessen	Ger. bark	446	Vogel & Co.
Highlander	1	June	3 Clough	Amr. ship	1372	Vogel & Co.
H. H. McGilvery	4	June	3 Wm. Y. Ford	Amr. ship	1322	Captain
H. Upmann	2	June	1 Weber	Ger. bark	426	Carlowitz & Co.
Hotspar	3	June	12 Jack	Brit. bark	522	Melchers & Co.
Jan Peter	3	June	30 Ewert	Ger. bark	335	Siemssen & Co.
Java Packet	2	June	6 Hanson	Brit. bark	670	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
J. Christian	1	June	11 Rooklefs	Ger. bark	407	Siemssen & Co.
J. Chase	4	June	7 Costigan	Amr. bark	696	Siemssen & Co.
Leonidas	5	June	27 C. O. Prehn	Brit. ship	1326	Captain
Louise	1	June	2 Schierloh	Ger. schr.	245	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Lucy	3	July	3 Harbelast	Brit. brig	237	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Mary	2	June	24 J. Wilson	Brit. brig	783	Naval Storekeeper
Mabel	3	June	14 F. Snow	Amer. bark	937	Melchers & Co.
Melusine	3	July	4 Pdiegr	Ger. bark	711	Chinese
Norseman	1	June	8 Concepcion	Siam. ship	1656	Messageries Maritimes.
P. G. Carvill	5	June	14 Thos. McFie	Brit. bark	290	Turner & Co.
Roderick Hay	2	June	28 P. H. Nicolson	Brit. bark	429	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Signal	1	July	4 Whitney	Amr. bark	1090	Messageries M'times Co.
Sir John Laurence	4	June	25 J. A. Best	Brit. ship	81	W. H. Ray
Spartan	5	Feb.	6 Vincent	Amr. schr.	923	Borneo Co.
Tiber	1	June	12 J. K. Rennie	Brit. bark	640	Chinese
Tay Watt	1	June	6 Ecclestone	Dan. bark	414	Vogel & Co.
Therese	4	June	5 Hartmann	Siam. bark	474	Siemssen & Co.
Theon Kramon	1	June	17 P. W. Vorrath	Brit. bark	500	Pustau & Co.
Velocity	† May	14	R. Martin	Brit. bark	1217	Captain
Victorine	† July	4	Chevalier	Amr. ship	1483	Order.
Wilna	4	June	25 Lombard	Amr. ship	1174	Rozario & Co.
Xenia	2	May	23 Reynolds	Amr. bark	1174	Rozario & Co.

* Cosmopolitan Dock.

† Aberdeen Dock.

† Patent slip.

RIVER STEAMERS.

Vessels.	Captain.	Flag.	Tons.	Owners or Agents.
Iohang	J. Ogston	British	700	Butterfield & Swire
Kanshan	Laid up	British	1050	H., O., & Macao Steam-boat Co.
Kiu-Kiang	T. Bonning	British	1061	H., O., & Macao Steam-boat Co.
Kiang-ping		Chinese	360	China Merchant S. S. Co.
Powan	A. G. Carey	British	1890	H., O., & Macao Steam-boat Co.
Spark	Cadwaladar	British	140	H., O., & Macao Steam-boat Co.
White Cloud	Hoyland	British	652	H., O., & Macao Steam-boat Co.
Yotsai	McDougall	British	250	Kyok Achong & Sons